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Title:	BALANCING MOST FREQUENTLY USED FILE SYSTEM CLUSTERS ACROSS A PLURALITY OF DISKS	,

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23 page(s) of specification; 8 page(s) of claims, 1 page(s) of abstract

3. Drawings

Informal Figure(s) 1-5 on 5 sheet(s)

4. Oath or Declaration

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Copy from a prior application (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))

Deletion of Inventor(s) (in continuation or divisional applications):

Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:

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6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
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8. Assignment Papers
9. Power of Attorney
☑ Is attached.
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10. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
Copies of IDS Citations
11. Amendments
A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
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13. Small Entity Status
A small entity statement is enclosed.
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14. Priority of foreign application number, filed on in is claimed under
35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d)
15. Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 136 for Extension of Time
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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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Title:

BALANCING MOST FREQUENTLY USED FILE SYSTEM CLUSTERS ACROSS A PLURALITY OF DISKS

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